Reviewer’s report

Title: Retinal and Choroidal Thickness in Paediatric Patients with Hypoalbuminaemia Caused by Nephrotic Syndrome

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Introduction:

The introduction is poorly written and has many grammatical errors and poor sentence construction.
I would omit the first part of the introduction discussing what glaucoma is, and discuss NPGS directly, as well as the role of new synthetic material (e.g. Ologen) in such surgeries.

Please subdivide your introduction in more than 1 paragraph

P1 Lign 20-21: Is the use of Ologen as a spacer in trabeculectomy surgery superior to standard trabeculectomy? If so, this would build on the rationale of your studies hypothesis. Please rephrase the logical flow that made you reach your research problematic

P1 Lign 21-22: Has ologen been used in other NPGS surgeries? Is this the first study to look into its role in NPGS?

P2 lign 2: omit MAY in your hypothesis. It should be a statement not a suggestion.

Methods:

P2 L21-22: Please elaborate on the DM and iris prolapse point. Please elaborate on what is meant by microperforations.

Please subdivide your methods in more than 1 paragraph

Did you classify glaucoma based on severity (mild, mod, severe) and did this play any role in selection of patients for the study? If not, glaucoma severity could be a confounding in your final results

Surgical technique:

The paragraph includes both technique, and follow-up evaluations. (these should be 2 separate sections)

Rephrasing many sentences is required.
A discussion on Ologen’s physiological properties is misplaced in the Surgical technique section

Results:

Results are clear but also need rephrasing in many sentences.

Discussion:

The discussion is well made and tackles interesting points. However it needs to include a discussion on the limitations of your study.

Conclusions:

The conclusion does not evidently answer your research question: does Ologen improve the outcomes of viscocanalostomy. Please rephrase.

Overall it is a very interesting study with a valid problematic. However, the manuscript is poorly written. It requires re-structuring.

Are the methods appropriate and well described?
If not, please specify what is required in your comments to the authors.

Yes

Does the work include the necessary controls?
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